- Mr. Griffith
- Mr. Mortimer

4/8/68

Airtel

TO: SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

FROM: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: UNSUB, aka JOHN WILLARD;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - VICTIM
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Reference phone call SAC Jensen to Bureau, 4/6/68.

The numbers impressed on the tax stamps on tops of both the Q52 and Q53 beer cans were found to be 03 over 158.

NOTE: Above information furnished to SAC Jensen on 4/6/68 by SA J.C. Cadigan.

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Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: MURKIN

File # 44-38861
Lab. # PC-A5780 BX
• 0561212 JK
EXPEDITE

Examination requested by: FBI, Jackson (157-9586) Airtel 4-17-68
zcc Memphis (44-1787) cc Rosen
Tony
Conrad
Griffith (attn Mortimer)
Frazier
Lab Files & Office 7133

Examination requested: Toolmarks
Document

Date received: 4-19
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Result of Examination:

Examination by: FRAZIER

Marks appearing in the number impressions on the bottoms of K169 and the previously submitted Q53 can of beer were identified as having been made by the same number dies. The marks on the Q52 can of beer were not identified with K169 or Q53, possibly because they were not so deeply or completely impressed in Q52

Specimens submitted for examination

K169 ~~Capped~~ Empty Schlitz beer can, 12-ounce size, from Southaven Minnow Shop
K170 Brown paper bag from Southaven Minnow Shop

03 } on bottom of each can: Q53 - K169 Identical to other
158 } on Q53 "5" 2 mm 48AO → 5

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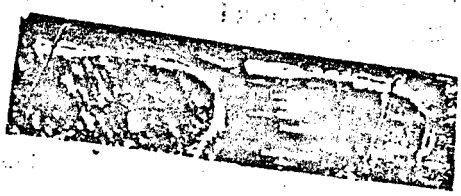
In tiny marks on Q52 for ident with Q53 + K169 marks scattered + not diff LS from Q53 and K169



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The K170 paper bag was found to be similar in all comparable characteristics to the Q55 paper bag which was previously received.

Matthews 4/17/68
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Specimens submitted for examination

K169 Can of Schlitz beer, 12-ounce size from Southaven Minnow Shop
K170 Brown paper bag from Southaven Minnow Shop

1/5 Q55

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FBI

Date: 4/17/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL - REGISTERED
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586) (P)

MURKIN

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PC-A5780

COPY & SPECIMENS RETAINED IN LAB FOR LAB ACTION & REPORT

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on 4/15/68, at Southaven, Mississippi:

Located at the Southaven Minnow Shop, Highway 51 S, one-half mile from the Tennessee State Line, was a quantity of "Schlitz" beer, 12 ounce, pop-top cans in the plastic six-pack holder. This beer was dated "03/158", and was distributed from Clarksdale, Mississippi.

Also located in that bait shop was a brown paper bag bearing the trademark "Homestead; Stubby; 20; 31K7", which is used to package six-packs of beer by the bait shop personnel.

This bait shop is located exactly three miles south from the Oliver Drugstore, Highway 51, Whitehaven, Tennessee.

BILL MC LAUGHLIN, owner of the bait shop; his wife, JANE MC LAUGHLIN; his son, WILLIAM MC LAUGHLIN; and frequent customer, LAWRENCE PARKER, all of Southaven, were interviewed. All failed to identify the Birmingham and Memphis composite photos of Unsub in this matter. None recalled seeing a white Mustang with an Alabama license around 4/3-4/68, nor do they

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2 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Atlanta (Info)
1 - Birmingham (44-1740) (Info)
1 - Los Angeles (Info)
2 - Jackson
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recall a stranger to the area purchasing a six-pack of Schlitz beer there, although they have numerous customers who have never been there before.

Under separate cover being forwarded to the Bureau is a 12 ounce, pop-top Schlitz beer can from the Southaven Minnow Shop dated "03/158". Also being forwarded is one of the aforementioned brown paper bags from that bait shop.

The Laboratory is requested to examine both items to determine the tool mark dating the beer can and the paper bag are identical with those previously submitted by Memphis. The Laboratory is requested to advise interested offices. The items need not be returned.

CONSIDER UNKNOWN SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

K169 Can of Schlitz beer, 12 oz. size from Southhaven Minnow Shop

K170 Brown paper bag from Southhaven Minnow Shop